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DON'T YOU be a czar, Mr. Crisp. T. B. Reed is on the floor and he might shoot a bomb at you.

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MR. HILL has the impression that he has made himself a Christmas present of the silver states.

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TO ALL PERSONS with quarrels on—There, there, children! Swear 'em off till after New-year's.

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PERHAPS we had better look upon Mr. Brice as a senator at large—and take measures for his ultimate confinement.

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"WHY," asks a correspondent, "did Dom Pedro carry around a bag of earth with him?" Because, dear sir, he wanted the earth.

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R. Q. MILLS was so mad that he wanted to bite off his own ear, with a slight preference in behalf of that of his principal opponent.

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THE DAUGHTER of Dom Pedro talks of "her rights" in Brazil. Her father was not so unwise. If he had been he might have died earlier.

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WE MUST ASK Messrs. Blaine and McKinley not to hang up their stockings. Just as sure as they do they'll get something that'll make trouble.

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WE GET most of our scandalous divorce cases from England now, and they are so bad that they almost make us proud of our own.

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IT IS NO more than fair to give the Indian the right of suffrage, and that will make it necessary to greatly increase the emergency funds of the national campaigns.

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THE RECENT QUESTION presented by the czar to this country, "How do you like bombs?" is irrelevant. The question at issue relates to the condition of our friends the Hebrews.

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ICEMAN TURNER is now in a fair way to make a fortune. Indeed we may almost prophesy that he will be another godfather to little Flossie, who must hang up her stocking this very night.

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MR. CRISP hastened to remark that he was just as bad a free-trader as anybody, and the Democratic Santa Claus needn't skip his stocking on account of a suspicion of any mean old conservative virtue.

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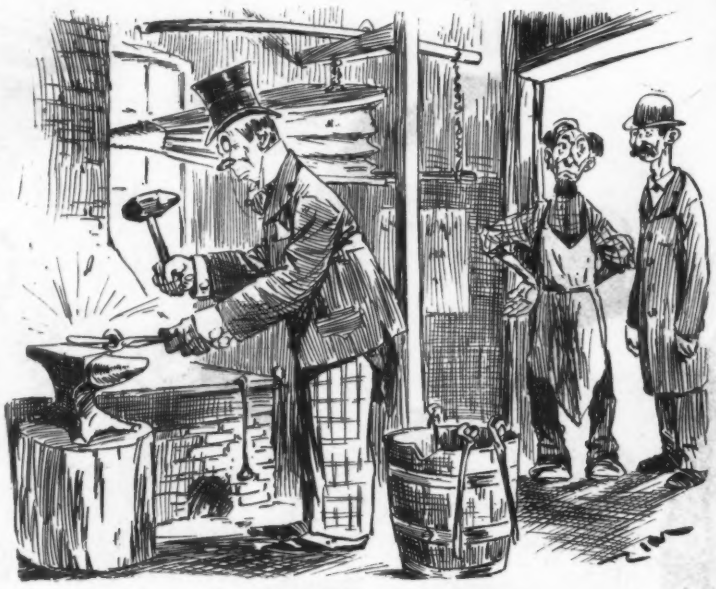
IF THE LATE Mr. Loppy was electrocuted to heaven it would be meanness to regret it, since we are all so bad that we can all afford to be generous; but if his taking off was not an entire success it was at least not more agonizing than the death he gave his wife.



SHORT-LIVED SWELLDOM.

VISITOR—"Who is that young gentleman at the anvil?"

BETTERBY (*the blacksmith*)—"That's my son Enoch. He went down t' York an' blew in a month's pay on dude clo'es, an' now, by Jim! he's got ter wear 'm out."

IT IS CHARGED that Mr. Sage tried to put a clerk between himself and the bomb. If this is true the charge of stinginess against Mr. Sage must be withdrawn. We haven't the slightest doubt that in the openness of his heart he would have made the young man a Christmas present of the entire contents of the missile.

HARRISON ON CHILI.

SYNOPSIS of the president's views as to our relations with Chili—Four new warships have been placed in commission this year, and twenty-four more are in process of construction. We should have a modern and a large navy....."I have been greatly rejoiced to notice many evidences of the increased unification of our people and of a revived national spirit."

BRICE AND OHIO.

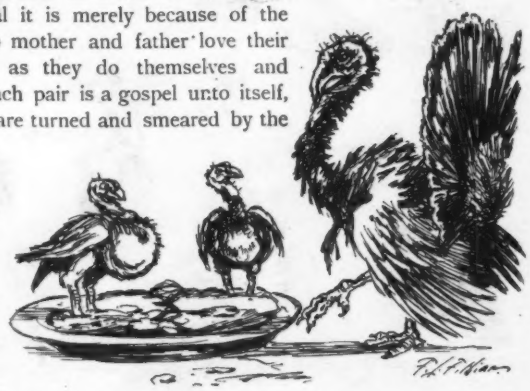
BARGAIN AND SALE must be protected. The commercial principle is sacred. Calvin S. Brice bought and paid for his seat in the senate, and all measures to oust him must exhibit the shame of Ohio even more than his own. Lately the Republican members of the Pennsylvania senate disgraced their state and their party. Let us keep the legislatures of the states as clean as possible, and be content, if there is no remedy possible, to let bad enough alone.

HILL'S SILVER AND INFLUENCE.

BEFORE SENATOR HILL has gone to Washington his presence is felt in the house. The result of the fight for the speakership is claimed as his victory and Cleveland's loss, and behold! his lieutenant, Mr. Sheehan, turns the tide in his favor. There are persons who have said that Hill would be a nonentity in the senate-chamber and of no account in the lower establishment. Well, his alliance with Mr. Gorman doesn't have that appearance, anymore than does the victory of Crisp. But just the same a very large majority of the Democratic party are radical for what they call tariff-reform, and nothing Senator Hill can say will make the silver question the supreme issue on the Democratic side.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

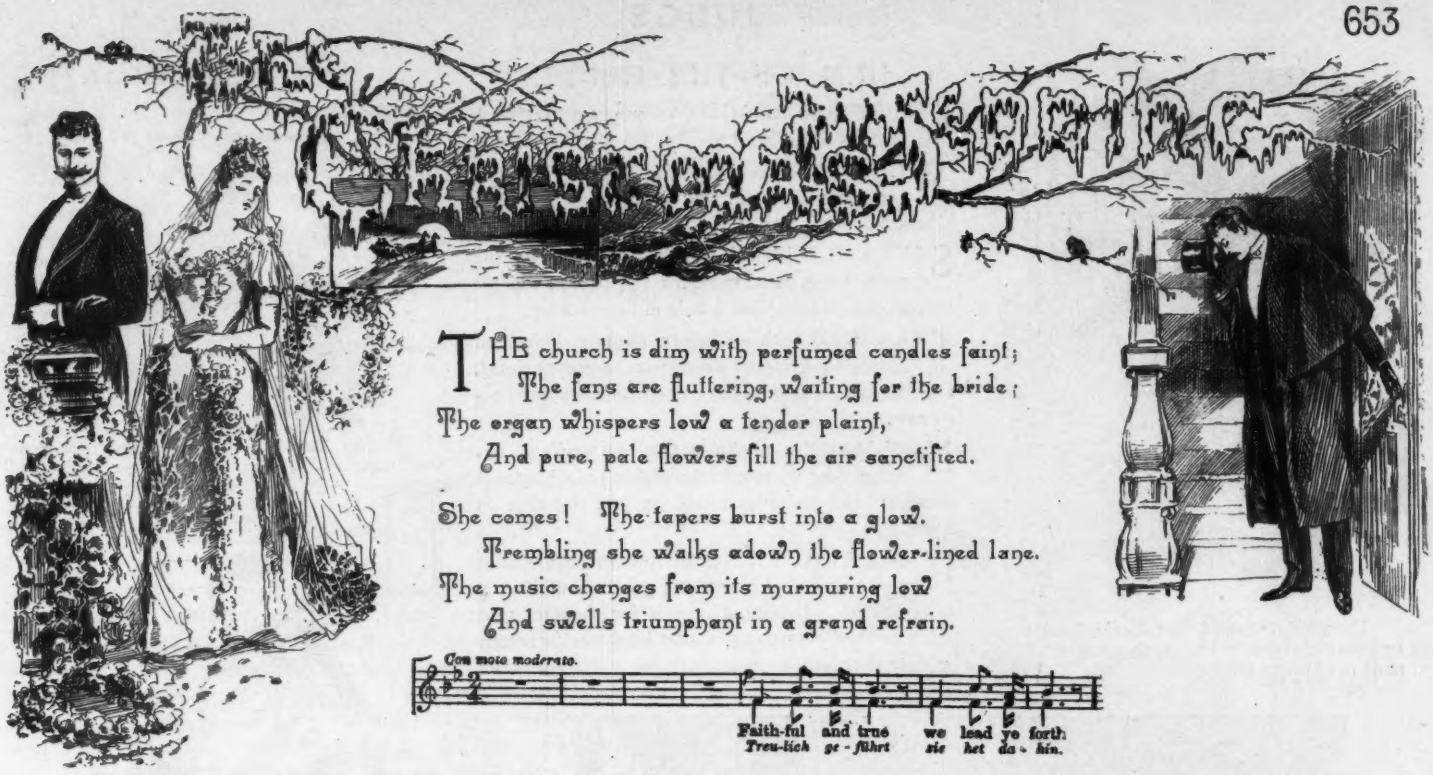
CHILDREN are our best citizens. While they are somewhat given to the destruction of such things as they can reach which are not clad with iron, and while they catch diseases which are apparently not within a mile of them and sometimes have two at a time, their inexperience and lack of observation are a sweet assurance of an innocence good enough to have come from heaven. Never a child is cross-eyed as to its optics or its disposition in the eyes of its parents; and if there are no bonds of sympathy between parents as a whole with respect to babies in general it is merely because of the trifling fact that no mother and father love their miscellaneous kind as they do themselves and each the other. Each pair is a gospel unto itself, whereof the leaves are turned and smeared by the unique baby; and to that amazing child in particular and in general Santa Claus is as good as if there were a million of him in one, and each were the chief of the million. Oh let us sing the praises of pinafore and paregoric, and heaven be generous to us as we are generous to them!



OLD TURK—"Now, I advise you young things to begin fasting, for about Christmas time great long two-legged things with hatchets come around and chop our heads off."

YOUNG TURKS—"Oh, go 'long! You think 'cause we're young you can stuff us."

OLD TURK—"Well, just you keep on getting fat and you'll find yourselves stuffed clean up to the neck."



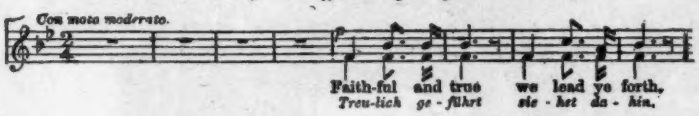
THE church is dim with perfumed candles faint;
The fans are fluttering, waiting for the bride;
The organ whispers low a tender plaint,
And pure, pale flowers fill the air sanctified.

She comes! The tapers burst into a glow.
Trembling she walks adown the flower-lined lane.
The music changes from its murmuring low
And swells triumphant in a grand refrain.

Her eyes downcast and pale and sweet her face
Bent shyly 'neath her lover's ardent glance.
And shadows falling from her veil of lace
Linger about her lips and upward dance.

Oh, song of love, sing on! and wedding-bell
Ring out in gladness on the Christmas air,
Though one man's heart breaks at the tale you tell,
Standing alone down by the organ-stair.

Her eyes see not his face, yet in her heart
She's thinking of an old-time girlhood vow,
Clasped hands, a promise "never more to part."
Christmas a year ago! One year—and now——



KATE MASTERSON.

COULDN'T CORNER HER.

HE—"You say you never were in love before, and yet this is the third time we have been engaged."
SHE (*triumphantly*)—"Yes; but didn't I break those other two engagements?"

MANY NOTED MEN are lost to sight after the November returns. We miss, oh how we miss! the tin-plate liar.

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THE CRANK who tried to kill Edward Murphy, jr., had it in his mind to bury the Democratic hatchet in the wrong spot.

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A MOUNTAIN of sulphur has been discovered in California. We have often thought that our future suffering would come from around there somewhere.

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NOBODY KNOWS precisely who threw the bomb, but our suspicions are divided about equally between William Henry Patterson and Benjamin F. Butler.

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GERMANY has five and a half millions of women who earn their own living. They have to earn it or die. That is one of the results of a standing and unproductive army.

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THE SON of Joaquin Miller who has been holding up a stage-coach has the imagination of his father without the brake that makes such a gift valuable to its possessor. A daughter of the poet is equally gifted and unfortunate. A volume of Mr. Miller's religious poems would be a Christmas gift better than any they have.

UNCLE EBENEZER (*from Wayback*)—"Well, by gum! the people that wear them stockings must have pretty long toes."

HUM OF THE COURT.

CHRISTMAS ADAGE—An empty pocket-book makes a full heart.

WE DO NOT know that the Boston girl walks on mere stilts, but why does she borrow her Christmas stocking?

SANTA CLAUS will have a good joke on the universal married man, for that person will get up and find nothing but a hole in his stocking.

THE CHILD with an empty stocking looks out through the frosted window on an empty world, and there is no star bright enough to shine away his sorrow.

NOW MAKE a resolution that you won't go beyond your income in the making of Christmas presents, and to-morrow will be just the time to break it.

IT IS A FINE THING in human nature that when a man dies everything good about him is remembered. It almost atones for the fact that while he lived everything of that kind was forgotten or misconstrued.

GENTLEMAN FROM TEXAS (*to elderly maiden, who has been waiting for a partner three hours—very loudly spoken*)—"Madam, do you dance?"
MAIDEN (*quickly*)—"Oh, yes."
TEXAS GENTLEMAN—"Who with?"

MR. FORD, millionaire, disinherits his son Malcolm because he is an athlete. If the young man had taken the other extreme and been a dude he might be rich, but he wouldn't be half so well off.

DUTY MUST NOT be neglected at this season; and he is a base creature who refuses his share of the Christmas pudding, however he may suffer from it through the long hours of the Christmas night.

THE CHILDREN of the household are good to have year in and year out; but the heads of the family had better stay up till the burst of dawn and get their night's sleep during the later Christmas morning.

THERE IS NOT a dollar in the treasury of Arkansas, and presently we shall learn that that is the most honest state in the country. Nothing helps a thief to be good so much as the blessed fact that there is nothing to steal.

"DO NOT CALL the president Benny," says the Syracuse *Herald;* "it isn't respectful." And we think, ourselves, that good, plain "Ben" is long enough and strong enough, to say nothing of economy in the use of the human voice.

THE HUSBAND of Mrs. Besant was a harsh, unsympathetic clergyman. There are those who think that his influence, in driving the lady from him, has been good for the world; therefore they offer him praise which it would hurt him to accept.

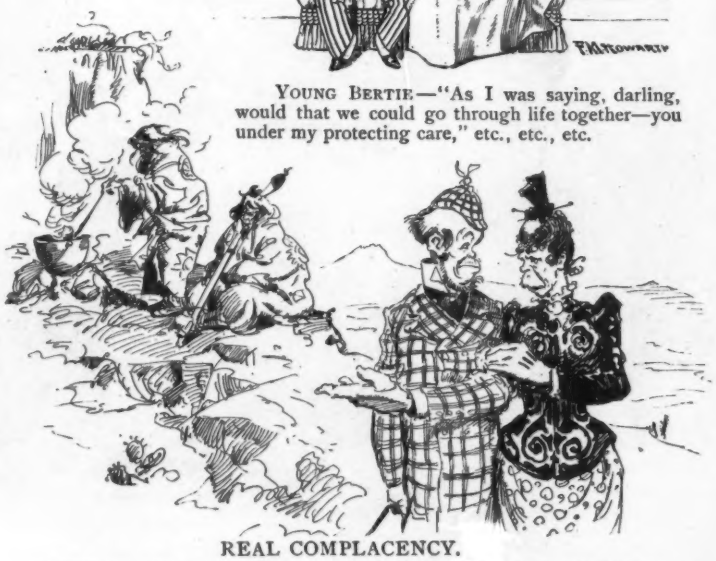
LOVE LAUGHS AT ALL.

YOUNG BERTIE—"Oh, darling! here comes your papa, and he has forbidden me the house."

"Just sit still for a moment and all will be well."

"Oh, no, papa; you are mistaken. You did not hear me talking to any one. I was merely reading aloud to myself."

YOUNG BERTIE—"As I was saying, darling, would that we could go through life together—you under my protecting care," etc., etc., etc.



REAL COMPLACENCY.

DUCEY (*on a trip to the Yellowstone*)—"D'yez moind thot, Catharine?"
MRS. DUCEY—"Oi do. Ain't it disgushtin'?"
DUCEY—"It is thot. T'ank hiven you an' me is Amiricans."

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS.

"A HOBBY-HORS' is what I want, an' I want it on Krismus. I don't want no one to come an' chuck me under the chin an' say, 'My sweet one, if you are a nice boy you'll get what you pray fur.' Auntie Sarah, will you lend me one of your stockings?"

"What for, my dear?"

"Just to hold a stick of pep'mint candy. An' say, Auntie Mary, I'd like one of *your* stockings, too."

"I don't know about that, pet."

"Yours 'll hold a bag of flour, fur you know it's bigger."

"'Sh! ha! 'sh! she! scat!"

And the diamond edition dreadful was hurried off to bed. And the casual caller told Auntie Mary that he certainly would expect her to be ready for the opera prompt at eight to-morrow. Auntie Mary blushed, but Auntie Sarah went up stairs mad.

THAT is not a nice little Christmas story, but here is one that is true. It was a nice day in the middle of November when Uncle Horace came in from the club.

"Your feet won't fit 'em, Uncle Horace."

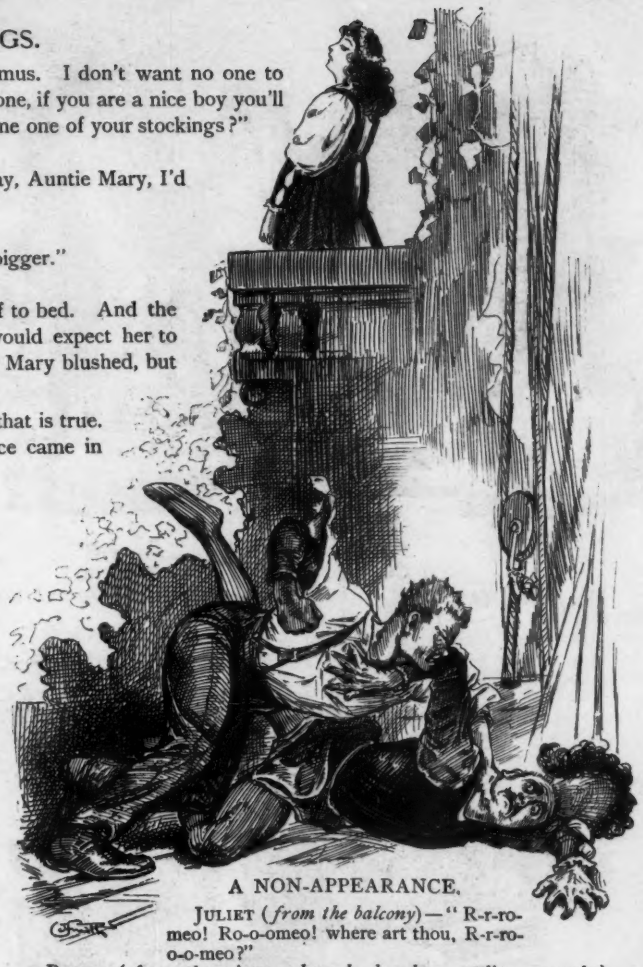
"Won't fit what, my boy?"

Before the diamond edition could put in his funny work a hand reached out from behind a curtain and he was yanked into space forthwith.

"Humph! the girls are making slippers for me, I see. Guess I'll have to buy the furs after all," mused Uncle Horace. The girls got the furs, but Uncle Horace didn't get any slippers. The diamond edition had spoiled all that. Uncle Horace got a pin-cushion with "*Merrie Xmas*" pricked upon it in bright pin-heads; also he got a nice necktie with a glass bead set in the off corner.

The diamond edition played havoc among the family. He let all the cats out of all the bags. He didn't get his hobby-horse, but he got very sick about ten a. m., was put to bed, and suffered the pangs of the condemned as he lay there, while the dishes rattled in the dining-room below.

H. S. KELLER.



A NON-APPEARANCE.

JULIET (*from the balcony*)—"R-r-ro-meo! Ro-o-omeo! where art thou, R-r-ro-o-o-meo?"

ROMEO (*from the wings, where he has been settling a grudge*)—"Under the supe!"

UPS AND DOWNS.

FIRST TRAVELER—"Say, boss! is this the roight road to the nixt village?"

FARMER—"Keep right on, and follow the point of your nose."

SECOND TRAVELER—"But, mine frendt, we want to stay togedder. Is dere no odder way?"

OUT OF SEASON.

'TIS said, "At Christmas play and have good cheer,"
But then the base-ball player's far from gay;
'Tis winter and the snow and ice appear,
He has no cheer because he cannot play.

CHRISTMAS JOYS.

THE man who goes by stealth with a basketful for his poor neighbor, and does not curry favor by making a gift to a rich man.

The woman who does not wonder how little she can give for the amount she would like to get.

The girl who dares to disagree with a young man a week before Christmas.

The husband who doesn't buy his wife something which has been long needed in the family.

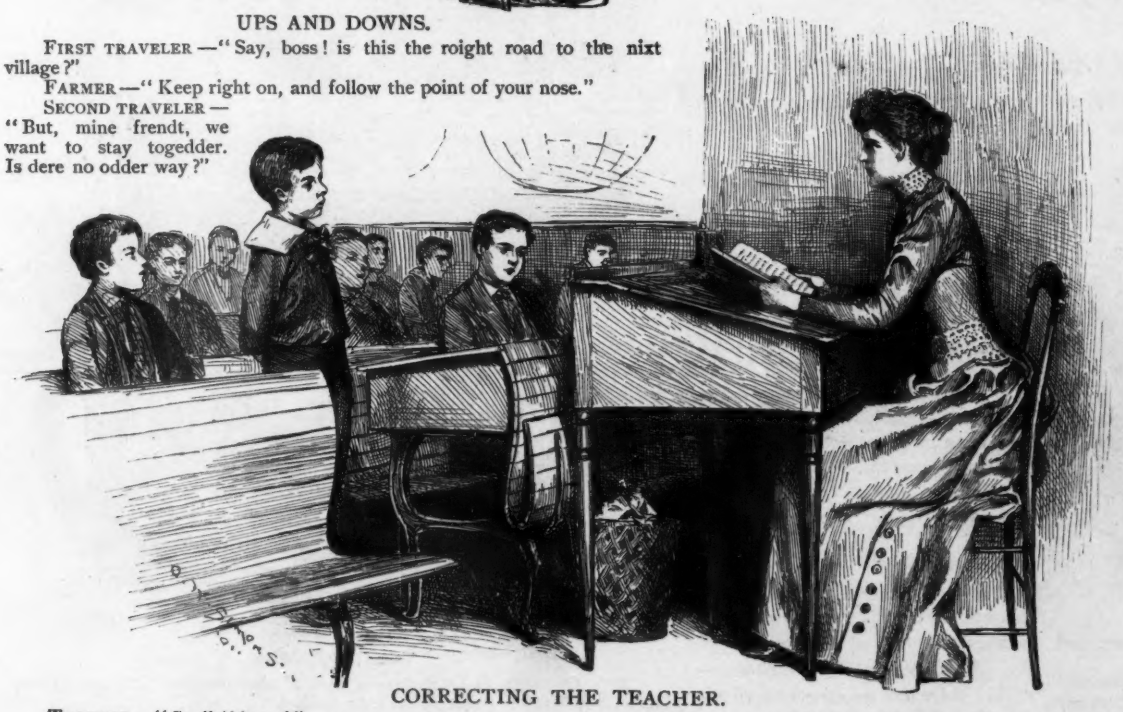
The wife who pays for her husband's present in some way that does not make him dread to receive it.

Children whose conduct is not regulated for a week before Christmas by the fear that "Santa Claus will hear."

The young lady actually unconscious of the fact that she is under the mistletoe.

The dude who does not stand off his washerwoman to buy a hand-painted good-for-nothing for his sweetheart, who doesn't need it.

Anybody who gives where it is needed or deserved, hoping for nothing again, who with love and unselfishness adds his utmost to Christmas cheer with peace and good-will toward men.



CORRECTING THE TEACHER.

TEACHER—"Spell 'kitten.'"
BOY (*hesitatingly*)—"K-i-i-t-t-e-n."

TEACHER—"Kitten hasn't two i's."
BOY—"Please ma'am, most of 'em have."

NOT COMPLIMENTARY TO THE BOY.

MR. BOPEEP (*at the stock-yards, buying sheep*)—"Didn't fetch no bell-wether down this trip."

HERDER—"How yer goin' t' drive 'm?"

MR. BOPEEP—"My son Ike 'll go on ahead. He looks so much like one 'r th' crowd they'll all foller him."

NOT EXACTLY BURIED.

LAWYER MARTIN—"Here's me client, yure honor—a poor felly wid wan foot in th' grave, an'"——

PLAIN-DRUNK CLIENT—"Hold on, Irish; don't go too fast. Dat foot was bit off by a shark down to Honduras."

A CLOSE CRITIC.

"MY DEAR," said Mrs. Oilriz to her daughter, "now that you are in society you must be very careful to talk proper."

"Of course, ma."

"I heard you just now speak of singing psalms."

"Yes."

"Are you sure, dear, that you shouldn't have said 'singing Samuels'?"

A SETTLER.

"Heh, you feller! Come back und settle for dot beer!"

THE "TOUGH CUSTOMER" (*making his exit*)—"Ah, come off! Didn't yer say de frot' 'd settle?"

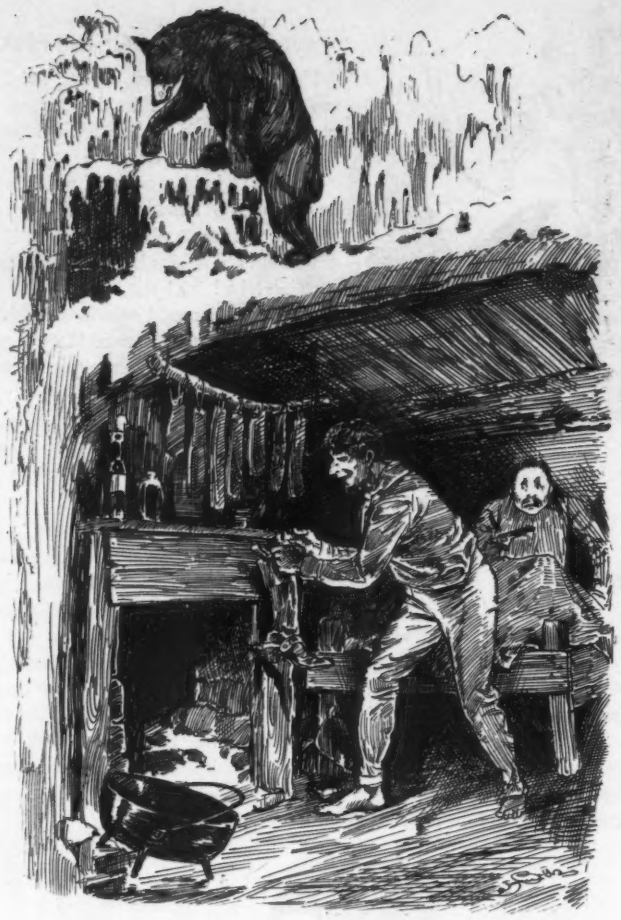
THE TOPER'S SAINT.

FROM Soak's life one a moral draws
That is not hard to lose,
For when he gave up Santa Claus
He believed in Santa Cruz.

NOT MUCH, AFTER ALL.

Miss Bleecker—"Mr. Codling only gets ten thousand dollars from his uncle's estate. That's no great shakes."

Miss Emerson (of Boston)—"No; there are no excessive vibrations in that, certainly."



CHRISTMAS EVE ON THE SMOKY RANGE.

THREE-BAR JIM—"Gosh, Billy! hang yer sock quick. Ole Santa Claus is comin' down."

RIGHT IN STYLE.

"WHAT are the prospects of the Rev. Mr. Thumper?"

"Excellent. He has just been found guilty of heresy."

MAL DE MER.

MRS. QUIMPER (*who has never been at sea before*)—"It's very queer, Rufus, but I have a sort of sinking feeling. Do you?"

MR. QUIMPER (*laconically*)—"No; mine's a *risin'* one."

YESTERDAY WAS CHRISTMAS.

YESTERDAY was Christmas and everything was gay.
Father didn't go to work—fooled around all day.
Hadn't smoked in awful long, so that he could bring
Mother home two hearts on top of a real gold ring.
Janey came from where she works, and every single one
Had a stocking chuckin' full, 'sides a lot of fun.

Father got an overcoat. Janey, ma and Jim
Saved up every cent they could buying it for him;
And his old one mother made over new for me—
Fits as nice as any coat that you ever see.
Janey put a handkerchief in the pocket, so
Just the end sticks out and shows everywhere I go.

Nelly got a bran'-new dress and another head
For her broken doll besides, and a dolly's bed;
And the baby got a lot of the gayest toys—
Every one can shake or twist with a different noise.
And the things that Janey got! My, they make a show!
But of course they would because Janey's got a beau.

Mother cooked the dinner, and the way we all did eat!
Father said the turkey didn't cost much more than meat.
Jim he passed and passed his plate till, I do declare,
I expected he would break down his Christmas chair;
And as far as I'm concerned, when the meal was through
I just felt as if I should surely pop in two.

After dinner father smoked till it was so blue
Seemed as if you just could see mother walking through;
And when ma and Janey got all the dishes done
Janey's beau came round and stayed, making lots of fun.
Kind of tough to go to work again; but, anyway,
Yesterday was Christmas and everything was gay.

MRS. GEORGE ARCHIBALD.

SHE WAS USED TO HUGGING.

"BUT weren't you dreadfully scared, Miss Flypp, when the bear got his arms around you?" asked Mr. Maddox.

"Oh, dear, no," replied Miss Flypp. "I was once engaged to a Pittsburg young man."

A BITTER DISAPPOINTMENT.

Mrs. Redrivers—"And that, Mrs. Clum, is the whole story of the affair from beginning to end."

Mrs. Clum (eagerly)—"And is it a secret?"

Mrs. Redrivers—"Oh, no; not at all."

Mrs. Clum—"I'm so sorry! I did want to tell Mrs. Longjaw."

A RADICAL TRANSFORMATION.

MONSIEUR TRENCHARDE—"By Gare! I no longaire stand ze tyranny and ze mortificazione of zat woman! I make me one gr-r-rand *coup* and asser-r-rt ze manhood zat"——

MADAME TRENCHARDE—"Alphonse!"

A HINT TO THE SERENADERS.

PROFESSOR CARBOAT (*singing*):
"You may talk about arson and murder,
You may sing of the *auto da fé*,
But the man who wrote Anniebel Rooney
Should be made to do hari-*karay*."

CHORUS BY THE AUDIENCE—"Chink, chink, chink!"

IN THE HAUNTI

BEN HARRISON—"Blaine may be 'out of the

HAUNTED WOODS.

e 'out of the field,' but the woods are full of him!"

THE DEVIL'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

I HAD a dream. It seemed to me
The devil was my chum.
'Twas Christmas eve. We sat alone.
My friend was looking glum.

At last (to cheer him up) said I,
"Old chap, suppose we make
For fun our choice of Christmas gifts.
Come, now, what will you take?"

"Let's see," quoth his satanic nibs
As he took up his tail
And hit it quite abstractedly
Against his coal-black nail.

"Already I've so many things
That really, I confess
It's hard to choose. Hello! what's this?
I see a gorgeous dress."

His fiery eyes glowed bright and red;
His tail began to rise.
"'Twas made by Worth!" he cried
"It's new
And just about my size."

Amazed at such a wish, said I,
"Great grief! old boy, do tell
What use you'd have for such a thing.
You'd cut a pretty swell."

At thought of which I roared aloud.
Quoth Nick, "Dear boy, now *you*
May laugh; but if I had that dress
The woman would come too."

TOM MASSON.

SPITEFUL ITALY.

HINTY (*the man-o'-warsman*)—"How much d' yez want?"
THE TATTOO-ARTIST—"Ten dolla."
HINTY—"Here yez are. It's wort' it t' have 'God save Irelan'' on a Connemara man's back. But yez tickled me wanst or twice whin yez wor phrickin' that sicond loine."

A CHANGE OF OPINION.

ART CRITIC—"What do you think of Alma Cadmium's painting?"
ARTIST—"Oh, I think it is superb."
ART CRITIC—"I'm surprised to hear you say that. *He* says just the reverse of yours."
ARTIST—"Ah, well; perhaps we're both mistaken."

HOW SHE LOOKED AT IT.

"IT IS true," said Eve to the serpent, "that I have a very circumscribed choice in selecting a husband, but still I have one advantage in marrying Adam."

"What is that?"

"He can't sit up and tell me I can't cook like his mother."

SATISFACTORY.

Father—"What are your expectations, sir?"

Young man—"I have a rich uncle on his death-bed."

Father—"Well, sir."

Young man—"Well, he has left his money to found a library in New York."

Father—"Take her, and be happy."

A NATURAL QUESTION.

Gazlay—"Who's your friend?"

Snooper—"That was honest Jim Thomson."

Gazlay—"How much did he steal?"

A SPEEDY PREFERENCE.

DUDSLEIGH—"Do you like cycling with a party?"
WHEELSBEE—"No; I prefer to cyclone."

A CONTRARY WORLD.

THE many gifts before us set
We must, of course, admire,
But somehow people never get
The things that they desire.

A POOR RULE, ETC.

Agitator—"I tell you this eight-hour work-day is going to do a lot of good to the mass of employed people. By the way, Sarah, is supper ready?"

Agitator's wife—"No; my eight hours was up at half-past five to-day."

MUCH TOO LONG.

Dimling—"The duel has had its hour."

Tatling—"That is too long."

Dimling—"What do you mean?"

Tatling—"A duel requires only two seconds."

A DELAYED CHRISTENING.

RUBENSTEIN—"Vat you gif der baby dis year?"
FELDKAHN—"Ach, ve vos shly like foxes. Ve vait till Grissmas unt gif him his name."

LITTLE BESSIE'S CHRISTMAS EVE.

WHO says that Christmas is played out,
That Santa Claus is dead?
I'll not believe it, nor would you
If you heard what grandpa said;
For he and I will watch to-night,
Nor never nod nor tire,
And grandpa hung his stocking up
With mine beside the fire.

SOME NEEDED INVENTIONS.

A PAIR of spectacles that will make Santa Claus see the small boy as others see him.

A contrivance to make the bad boy believe that he isn't better than he is when Christmas comes.

An appliance to shut the one eye that little Johnnie keeps open when Santa Claus enters the room.

THE GRÜNFELDS.

Alfred Grünfeld (the Pianist) and his brother, Heinrich Grünfeld (the Violoncellist), have made the artistic success of the musical season.

The brothers Grünfeld—Alfred (the pianist) and Heinrich (the 'cellist)—made their *début* in this country at the Madison Square Garden Concert Hall on October 23d, and were received with enthusiasm by the critics and the musical public.

They were immediately recognized as musicians and artists of the highest rank.

There is a unanimous feeling that Alfred Grünfeld is the greatest pianist that has come to this country since Rubinstein.

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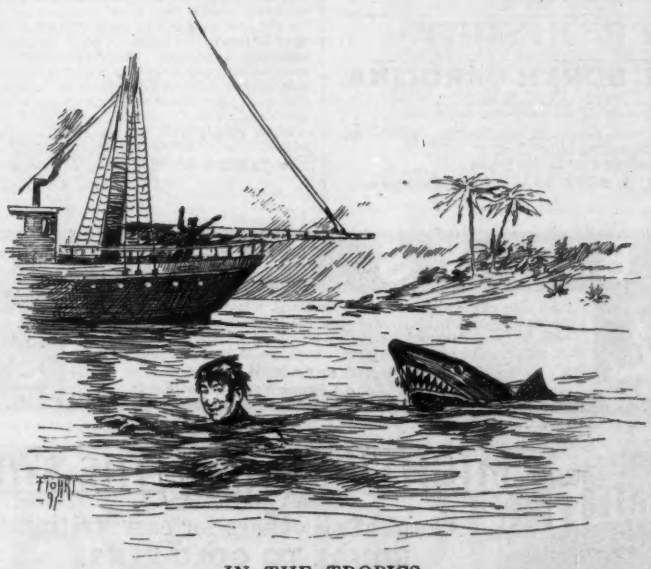

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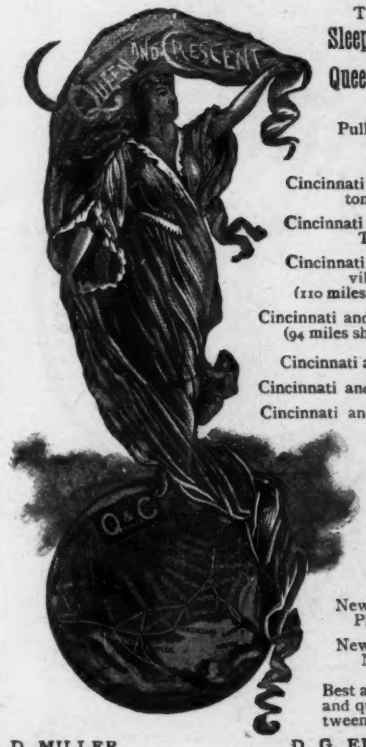

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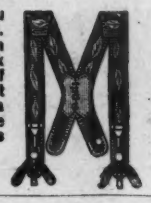

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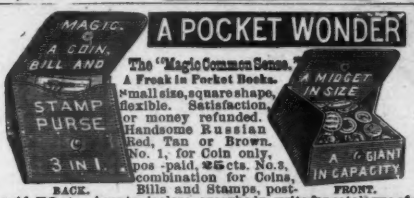

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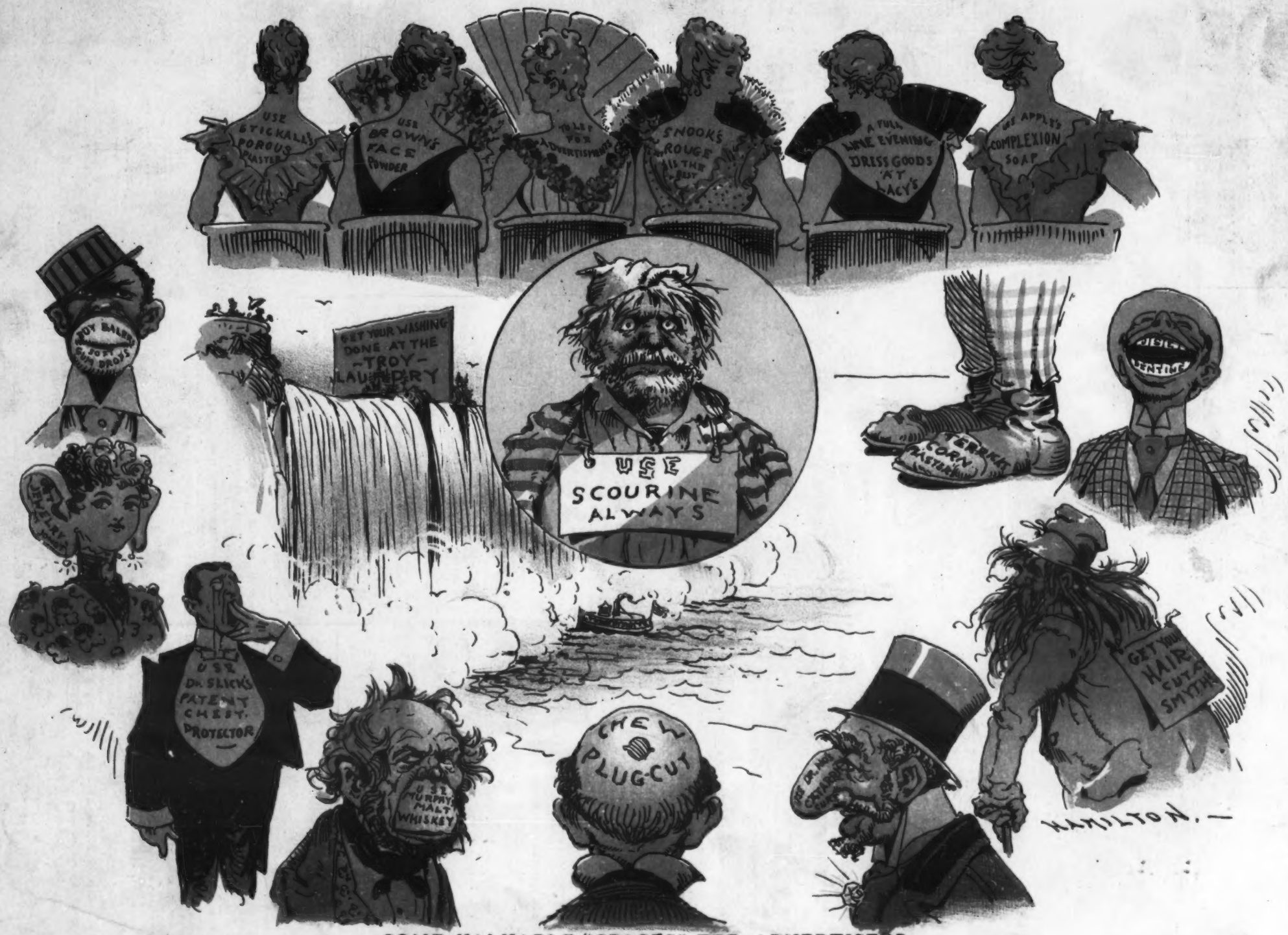

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